GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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FUNDS UNDER MODERNISATION OF POLICE FORCE SCHEME
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total funds released under Modernisation of Police Force Scheme to Gujarat during each of the last three years;

(b) whether funds allocated under Modernisation of Police Force Scheme to Gujarat has been reduced during the above period;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to allocate funds for mega city policing and desert area policing outside Modernisation of Police Force Scheme considering the special nature of these areas during 2008-09;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to provide adequate funds to Gujarat?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (c) : To supplement the efforts of the State Governments in modernizing their police forces, the Central Government has been implementing a Non-plan Scheme namely, the "Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces" (MPF Scheme). Central assistance to the States is determined keeping in view, inter-alia, the demands of other States, security scenario, utilization of funds by the concerned State(s) and allocation of funds under the Scheme from Ministry of Finance. The year-wise details of Central allocation and funds released to Gujarat under the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces (MPF Scheme), during the last three years 2004-05 to 2006-07 are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Central funds allocated		Total funds released
	Original	Additional	
2004-05	34.44	5.10	39.54
2005-06	30.00	9.84	39.84
2006-07	37.00	8.52	45.52
Total	101.44	23.46	124.90

Thus, there has been no reduction in the release of Central funds to Gujarat.

(d) to (f): The allocation of funds to States, including Gujarat, is finalized on the basis of projections made in their action plan and "mega city policing and desert policing" constitute an integral part of the Scheme. An amount of Rs.2.00 crore each during 2005-06 and 2006-07 and further an amount of Rs.1.49 crore during 2007-08 has been released to Gujarat for Desert Policing.